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5,761,547	Hirano et al.	(06/02/98)
5,779,547	SoRelle et al.	(07/14/98)
5,851,149	Xidos et al.	(12/22/98)
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Foreign Patent Documents

AU 24975/99 B2	Acres Gaming, Inc	(11/04/99)
AU 42788/00 B2	Stronach	(11/17/00)

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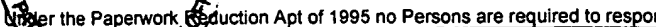
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